

Name : UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #383 **POC :** Robinson Education Center **Address :** 2031 Poyntz Avenue **City :** Manhattan **State :** KS **Zip :** 66502 **Phone :** 785-587-2000 **Fax :** 785-587-2006 **Email :** info@manhattan.k12.ks.us **Web Address :** <http://www.usd383.org> **Comment :** The #383 School District encourages you to use their Web Address to obtain the most current information available to you.

K-12 Education

Average ACT Score for MHS: 22 (state: 21.5; national: 21.0) Average SAT Score for MHS: 1108 (state: 1154; national: 1016)

The Manhattan School District is one of 14% nationwide selected for the honor of the "What Parents Want Award." USD 383 is one of 2,310 districts in the nation (out of 15,620) chosen. The District was recognized for competitive academic test scores, accredited, recognized for excellence by a national foundation or by the U.S. Department of Education, competitive teacher salaries, above average instructional expenditures, above average expenditures for library/media services and known for small class size.

Seven Manhattan High School students have been designated as 2001 Commended Students in the National Merit Scholarship Program. They were recognized as Commended Students for placing in the top five percent of more than one million students that completed the 1999 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

The College Board has designated eight Manhattan High School students as Advanced Placement (AP) Program scholars for their outstanding academic achievement. These students received grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams during full-year college courses. Two of the students were recognized as AP Scholars with Honors for averaging at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, as well as grades of 3 or higher on four or more full-year course exams. The AP Program is dedicated to preparing, inspiring and connecting high school students to college coursework and the opportunities presented through a higher education.

USD 383 has ten elementary schools (K-6), two middle schools (7-8) and two high schools (East Campus serves 9th grade and West Campus serves 10th-12th grades). Class sizes vary. Recommended class sizes are: Kindergarten and Grade 1--20 students, Grades 2 & 3--23 students; Grades 4-6--26 students. Middle school and high school class sizes are approximately 25, but may be higher or lower.

All elementary and secondary schools are accredited by the State; the secondary schools are also nationally accredited. Average ACT scores for Manhattan High School students are above the averages for the State and the national averages. Approximately 92% pursue post-secondary attendance after graduation.

Student's progress at the classroom level is measured through daily class work and projects, tests and report cards. District wide assessments - tests given in a subject area to all students in a particular grade level - measure student progress across all schools.

ENROLLMENT: A child must be five years old on or before August 31 of the same year you wish to enroll them in kindergarten. Kansas's law does not permit special arrangements or testing to allow younger students to start kindergarten.

Admission into kindergarten: Children must be five years old on or before August 31, of the year you wish to enroll. A transfer student who does not meet the age requirement is allowed to enroll if the child has been in attendance in a state accredited kindergarten while being a legal resident of that state.

Admission into 1st grade:Children must be six years old on or before August 31, of the year you wish to enroll.A transfer student who does not meet the age requirement is allowed to enroll if the child has been in attendance in a state accredited kindergarten while being a legal resident of that state.

Proof of Identity and Health Assessments/Immunizations:Whenever a child enrolls in school for the first time, the district is required to secure proof of identity of the child.All students ages eight years and younger shall also submit evidence that they have undergone a health assessment prior to entering kindergarten or before enrolling in the district for the first time.A student entering school for the first time shall be required to present certification from a licensed physician or local health department that he/she has received all immunizations as required by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (some exceptions may apply).

Transfer To Other Schools Within the District:Transfers to another school may be possible if the receiving school has space and it is in the best interest of the child.When transfers are approved, the parent is responsible for the transportation of the child to and from the other school.

Extended Learning (ELT) Tutoring at MHS is to be held Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at both the MHS West Library and MHS East Campus Library. Tutors are available in math, English and social studies.

Summer School:Our district offers opportunities for students K-12 to participate in summer school classes ranging from remedial courses to fine arts and math/science magnet schools.

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Even Start is a federally funded family reading program, in cooperation with USD #383 & #475, for parents and children ages one to seven years old focusing on preparing children for school.Through Even Start, parents meet to discover books and learning activities to do at home, participate in home visits and learn about ways to improve their own reading, math and job skills.Participants take field trips, receive free children's books and learn about what to expect as they enter school.

Head Start is a federally-funded preschool program serving families with low incomes in the Manhattan-Ogden and Riley County school districts.Head Start enrolls children ages three to five years and offers preschool activities as well as physical, dental, hearing and vision screenings; speech and language screening and therapy; nutritious snacks and meals; social services; and education programs for parents.Head Start programs are offered in Manhattan, Ogden and Riley.

Parents As Teachers is a free program serving parents and children ages 0-3 years.It provides parents with information and guidance in understanding how children grow and learn.Educational, hearing and visual check-ups are included in the program, as well as personal visits by educators.

Adult Learning Center:The ALC offers a basic skills program for adults to learn or review basic reading, writing and math skills; English as a Second Language instruction focusing on using conversational English; preparation for the high school equivalency diploma (GED); and a literacy program for nonreaders and low readers.ALC is located at 801 Poyntz Avenue and at Ogden Elementary School.

Manhattan Area Technical College offers 12 full-time programs, with multiple starting dates, preparing students to become skilled workers and technicians in business and industry.Secondary students age 16 years or older can attend MATC.The Technical College offers job placement assistance for graduates with a 90 percent placement rate.Students may also earn an associate of applied science degree.

